

# ACRL Board of Directors' actions, June 2006

## Highlights of the Board's Annual Conference meetings

During the 2006 ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans, the ACRL Board of Directors met on June 24 and 27 and took the following actions.

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### **Strategic Area: Higher Education and Research**

**Goal Area: Learning**—ACRL and its members are recognized as collaborative leaders in teaching lifelong learning skills, improving techniques for assessing learning outcomes, and in creating environments for discovery.

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**Approved the “Information Literacy Standards for Science and Technology.”**

and tasked the Institute for Information Literacy Executive Committee and Information Literacy Advisory Committee with a number of new activities related to the development of additional subject-specific standards.

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**Approved the “Tip Sheet for Developing Subject-Specific Information Literacy Stan-**

**Goal Area: Scholarship**—ACRL and its members are recognized as authorities on knowledge management, and the creation, collection, preservation, access, and exchange of information.

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**Approved the Scholarly Communications Agenda for 2006–07.**

the National Association of College Stores, and possibly the Association of Research Libraries, with a financial commitment of up to \$15,000.

**Confirmed its e-mail vote of May 16–22, 2006, approving support, in name only, for the symposium “Copyright at a Crossroads: The Impact of Mass Digitization on Copyright and Higher Education,” sponsored by the Center for Intellectual Property at the University of Maryland University College, held June 14–16, 2006.**

**Endorsed the resolution on the Federal Research Public Access Act of 2006, recognizing that the language might be slightly changed by the ALA Committee on Legislation.**

**Approved ACRL's cosponsorship of “Stepping Through the Open Door: A Summit on New Modes for the Delivery of Information in Higher Education” with EDUCAUSE,**

**Recommended to the ALA Executive Board the reappointment of Judith Walker as ACRL's member of the NCATE Board of Examiners for a three-year term ending in 2010. Note: The ALA Executive Board later approved Walker's reappointment.**



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**Goal Area: Advocacy**—ACRL has greater influence on the higher education and research environment.

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**Referred the 1992 “Guidelines for the Preparation of Policies on Library Access”** to the ACRL Standards and Accreditation Committee for recommendation on rescission at the 2007 Midwinter Meeting.

**Endorsed the following ALA resolutions**, recognizing that the final language might be changed slightly:

- Resolution Affirming “Network Neutrality”
- Resolution on EPA Libraries

- Resolution on Saving Federal Libraries
- Resolution Concerning Advocacy for Federal Library and Information Programs

**Approved the appointment of Richard Shaw** as a member of the ACRL Council of Liaisons as the liaison to the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC), for a three-year term from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2009, contingent on a continued relationship with AACC and ACRL.

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**Strategic Area: The Profession**

**Goal Area: Continuous Learning**—ACRL provides continuous learning opportunities enabling members to strengthen their effectiveness and achieve recognition as valued contributors to their academic and research communities.

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**Approved workshop proposals for** “Assessment of Academic Library Effectiveness: Using ACRL Standards for Continuous Evaluation; Creating the One-Shot Library Workshop Step-by-Step” and “Managing the Changing Research Models in the Humanities” for presentation January 19, 2007, at the 2007 ALA Midwinter Meeting in Seattle, Washington.

**Approved preconference proposals for** “Accepting an Electronic Resources Librarianship Position: The Best Professional Decision You Ever Made! Now what? Your A to Z Guide to Practical Tips, Strategies, Workflow Standards, and Software Applications You Need to Succeed” and “Writing and Using Objectives to Improve Library Instruction” for presentation June 22, 2007, at the 2007 ALA Annual Conference in Washington, D.C.



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**Approved Philadelphia as the official location for the ACRL 15th National Conference April 7–10, 2011, and approved Indianapolis as the official location for the ACRL 16th National Conference April 4–7, 2013.**

**Approved ACRL offering a one-day Virtual Institute in fall 2006.**

**Approved the proposed slate of ACRL programs for delivery at the 2007 ALA Annual Conference.**

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**Goal Area: Leadership**—ACRL members achieve recognition as leaders and advocates for academic and research libraries.

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**Approved changes in the criteria and purpose of the WSS Award for Significant Achievement in Women’s Studies Librarianship.**

for one new librarian, as requested by ALA President Leslie Burger, with the following stipulations:

**Approved the appointment of one to three people, with at least one from the Community and Junior College Libraries Section, to an ALA task force that will discuss the issue of library support staff certification and make recommendations to the future and approved financial support of up to \$3,900 for the ACRL appointees to attend a 2.5-day conference in Chicago in the spring of 2007.**

A. that ACRL be involved in the selection process of the emerging leaders; and

B. that the service work of the emerging leader be on an ALA committee.

**Approved support for the Emerging Leaders ’07 initiative with a \$1,000 stipend in FY07**

**Endorsed the nominations of three ACRL members to serve on IFLA standing committees for Art Libraries, Science and Technology Libraries, and the Section of University Libraries and forwarded those nominations to the ALA International Relations Committee for further action.**

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## Strategic Area: The Association

**Goal Area: Sustainability**—ACRL will have the fiscal resources, staff expertise, and organizational structure to advance the association's strategic plan.

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**Approved the minutes of the ACRL Board** of Directors meetings held at the 2006 ALA Midwinter Meeting.

**Confirmed its e-mail vote of March 25–April 5, 2006**, approving the revised policy on Chapter funding to read:

ACRL Chapters may spend budgeted resources on any items or activities that support the charitable and educational purposes of ACRL's strategic goals as identified in the strategic plan with two exceptions: 1) The allotted funds may not be used for payment of honoraria or travel to support librarians' presentations at ALA, ACRL, or ACRL chapter conferences, and 2) The allotted funds may not be used to purchase goods or services prohibited by ALA and ACRL policy.

**Granted approval for ACRL/CHOICE** to conduct one or more feasibility studies of the potential purchase of a property in Middletown, Connecticut, deemed potentially suit-

able as housing for the CHOICE offices.

**Approved proposed revisions to the STS and CJCLS Bylaws** for placement on the Spring 2007 section ballots.

**Approved the dissolution of the ACRL/Harvard Leadership Institute Advisory Committee** and amended the charge of the Professional Development Coordinating Committee to reflect the responsibility for managing the scholarship application and selection process for the institute, as well as assigning ongoing responsibility for communication regarding the ACRL/Harvard Leadership Institute to ACRL staff.

**Approved the FY2007 budget.**

**Approved the recommendations of the Board's Assessment Working Group** in support of ongoing assessment activities related to the strategic plan, including the establishment of an Assessment Subcommittee of the ACRL Research Committee. *ZZ*

### New ACRL advocacy toolkit now available

A new advocacy toolkit from ACRL is now online in PDF at [www.ala.org/marketing](http://www.ala.org/marketing). The toolkit will help librarians and library workers to develop their personal powers of persuasion to advance the agenda of the academic library.

This publication provides basic content on persuasion, techniques for persuading others, applications of persuasion techniques for libraries, and recommended processes and examples for persuading others within higher education environments.

As part of her presidential focus over the past year, Camila Alire, ACRL past-president, commissioned a task force to develop a workshop and create a toolkit

on grassroots advocacy. Julie Todaro, ACRL vice-president/president-elect, wrote the toolkit. The Grassroots Advocacy Task Force developed the successful half-day workshop at ALA's 2006 Annual Conference in New Orleans.

The resulting toolkit builds on the work of ACRL Past-President Helen Spalding, whose work with the @ your academic library campaign served to highlight the importance of advocacy efforts at the local level. It provides many suggestions for starting a systematic advocacy campaign for libraries and campuses. One copy was mailed to each ACRL member in August. Additional copies are available for sale online at [www.ala.org/publications](http://www.ala.org/publications).